



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:

WANG, Xuemin et al.

Serial No. : 09/817,869

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DROUGHT TOLERANT PLANTS AND
METHODS OF INCREASING DROUGHT
TOLERANCE IN PLANTS

Docket No. 30509

Group Art Unit 1632

Examiner: Ashwin D. Mehta

Commissioner of Patents
Alexandra, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants et al., through their attorneys, hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) for a one-month extension of time in which to file a response to office action of June 2, 2003. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17, a check in the amount of \$55.00 is enclosed herewith for the one-month fee.

In the event that the foregoing request or fee calculation is incorrect, this Petition should be construed as one for sufficient time to permit timely filing of the present reply. Any additional fee which is due in connection with this Petition should be applied against our Deposit Account No. 19-0522.

Respectfully submitted,

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